

# Department of Planning & Zoning

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#### Strategic Plan 2017-2022 Vision:

# CITY STRATEGIC PLAN

In 2022, Alexandria is a **historic**, inclusive city of kindness, with distinct, vibrant and safe neighborhoods, a well-managed government, flourishing arts, culture, and recreation, a strong economy, thriving children and youth, active and secure older adults, environmental sustainability, healthy residents of all ages, and multimodal transportation.

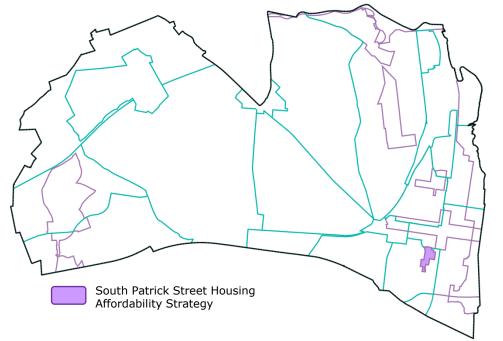
# **NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING**





Vibrant Places with Housing Choices for

All Residents







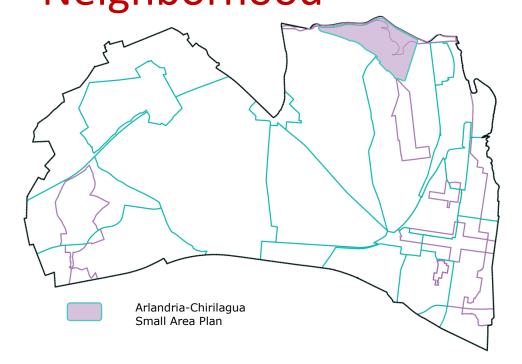
#### South Patrick Street Housing Affordability Strategy

Adopted by City Council, September 2018

**Goal:** Proactive strategy to preserve long-term affordability of 215 committed affordable units



Equitable, Resilient, Welcoming Neighborhood





#### Arlandria-Chirilagua Small Area Plan

City Council Public Hearing Meeting, November 13, 2021

**Goal:** Preserve Arlandria-Chirilagua as a culturally diverse neighborhood by protecting residents' ability to remain in the community in the context of anticipated market pressures units







# Distinct and Safe Neighborhoods

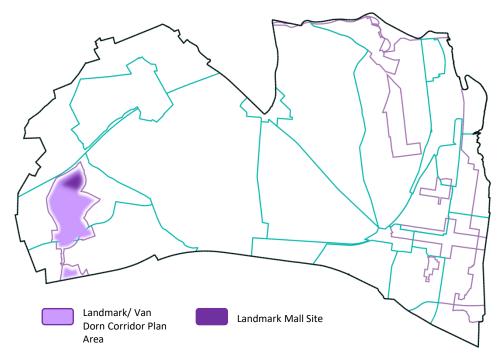


# Landmark Mall Re-Planning

Plan approved by City Council in May 2019

CDD approved by City Council in July 2021

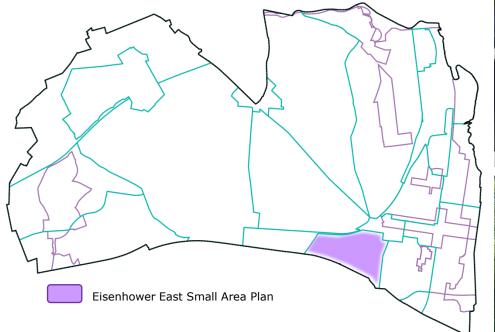
Goal: The entire mall site is under coordinated ownership, meaning the 2009 Plan to turn the mostly vacant mall site into a lively urban center vision can be realized while also priming the surrounding area for improvements.







# Strengthen Our Local Economy







#### Eisenhower East Small Area Plan Update

Approved by City Council in February 2020

**Goal:** The purpose of the update will be to determine the optimal balance of office, retail, hotel, residential, and other land uses, as well as appropriate land use flexibility, given the City's unchanged goal for Eisenhower East to remain one of the City's key economic development engines.







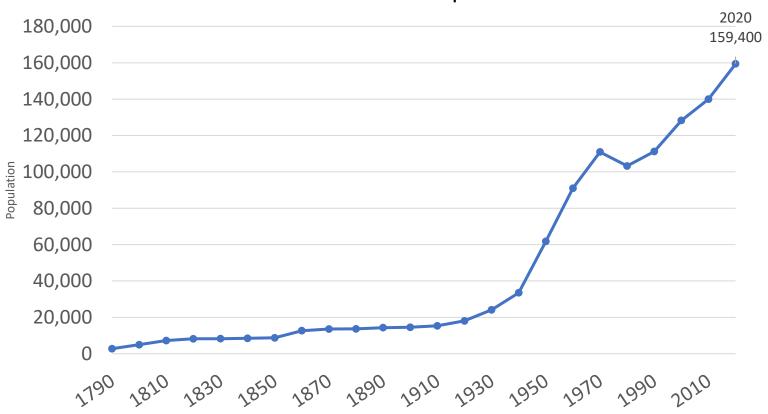


Demographic data is used by many departments and organizations within the City of Alexandria to better understand the individuals that make up our community. Studying demographic trends can help inform important planning and policy decisions and plan for the future.

The Department of Planning & Zoning primarily uses data provided by the U.S. Census Bureau to produce maps, reports, and analysis on the City of Alexandria.

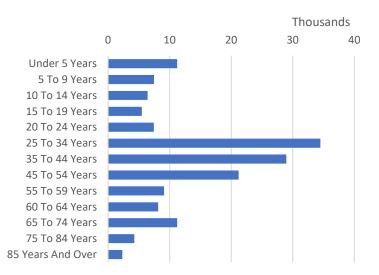


#### Alexandria Historic Population

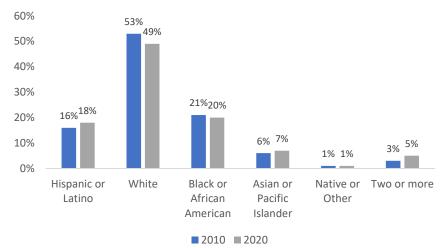


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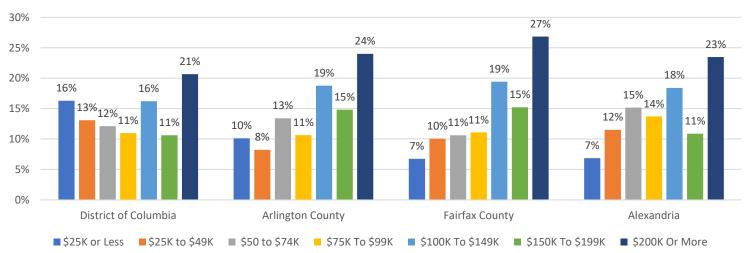




## Proportion of Population by Race or Ethnicity 2010 vs 2020



#### Comparative Household Income, 2019



Data Source: 2020 P.L. Census Release and 2019 5-year ACS Estimates

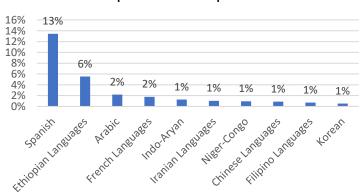
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Top 50 Places of Birth for Foreign Born Population, 2019

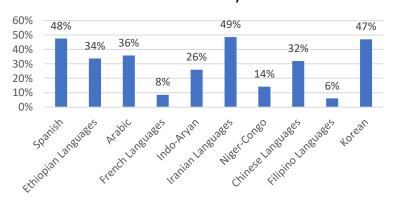


Rank	Country	Percent			
1	Ethiopia	21%			
2	El Salvador	11%			
3	Honduras	7%			
4	Afghanistan	5%			
5	Bolivia	3%			
6	Guatemala	3%			
7	Ghana	3%			
8	Philippines	3%			
9	Peru	3%			
10	Sierra Leone	2%			
11	Korea	2%			
12	Mexico	2%			
13	China	2%			
14	Bangladesh	2%			
15	Morocco	2%			

Top 10 Language Groups by Proportion of Population



% of Group with Limited English
Proficiency



Data Source: 2019 5-year ACS Estimates





#### **SAP**

#### **ZONING**

# **DSUP**

#### **PERMIT**

Vision

Objectives

Recommendations

**Land Uses** 

Open Space

**Framework Streets** 

**Design Guidelines** 

**Phasing** 

Development Special Use Permit Review

Density, Architecture, Heights, Streetscape



Final Site Plan

**Building Permits** 

Construction













New Development/Major Renovation in last 10 years



Outside of Growth Crescent (11%) Proposed BRT Lines

# Recent Development Projects





American Physical Therapy Association (APTA)



Virginia Tech Innovation Campus



Hoffman Blocks 4 & 5

# Recent Development Projects





Crowne Plaza: Adaptive Re-Use

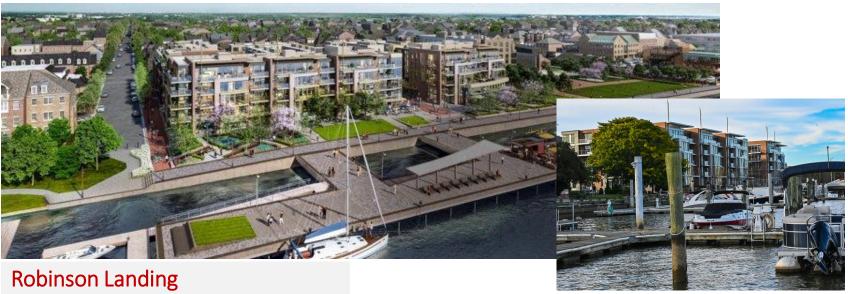


The Spire: Affordable Housing



# Recent Development Projects









#### Power Plan Redevelopment

#### Key Recommendations of the Old Town North Plan



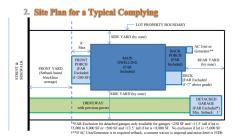
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- improved open spaces
- Integrated history and





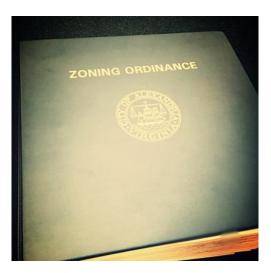






#### 1. Chart of Zoning Requirements for Infill Dwellings

Zoning District Requirements	Minimum Mid- Block Lot Area	Minimum Corner Lot Area	Minimum Mid-Block Lot Width	Minimum Corner Lot Width	Minimum Lot Frontage on Straight Street	Lot Frontage at Curved Street	Minimum Side Setback Ratio to Building Height	Minimum Side Setback in Feet	Minimum Side Setback if Semi- Detached Dwelling	Minimum Rear Setback Ratio to Building Height	Minimum Rear Setback in Feet	FAR (See exclusions on other side)	Minimum Vision Clearance Distance at Corner Lots
R-20	20,000	20,000	100	120	75	55	1:2	12	NA	1:1	12	0.25	100
R-12	12,000	12,000	80	95	60	45	1:2	10	NA	1:1	10	0.30	100
R-8	8,000	9,000	65	80	40	40	1:2	8	NA	1:1	8	0.35	100
R-5	5,000	6,500	50	65	40	40	1:3	7	NA	1:1	7	0.45	100
R-2-5	5,000	6,500	50	65	40	40	1:3	7	10	1:1	7	0.45	100
Height is a	Front yard setback requirement is determined by the average front yard setback of the blockface for which construction is occurring. Please see front yard diagram on opposite page.* Height is a maximum of 25 feet, but new construction can be taller if the verage height of the existing buildings on the block is tall on the Worst part of the block plus an additional 20 percent. Please see Height diagram on opposite page.*  Please refer to the Zoning Ordinance or discuss with Conins Staff to determine the reference block for each proviset.												



- ❖ Administer Zoning Ordinance/Building Permit Review
- **❖** Zoning Ordinance Inspections and Enforcement
- Process Special Use Permits, Encrochments into Public Right of Way, Vacation of Public Right of Way, and Subdivision of Land
- Historic Preservation
- Serve as staff to:
  - Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA)
  - Board of Architectural Review (BAR)

# **Special Use Permits**





#### Common Administrative and Full Hearing SUP's Include

- Restaurant (except commercial plazas)
- Outdoor Dinning Over 40 seats
- Catering
- Valet Parking
- Automobile Repair
- Live Entertainment
- Hotel Use

- Medical Care Facility
- Outdoor Markets
- Schools
- Animal Care
- Outdoor Recreation and Entertainment
- Drive-through Facility



## APEX and the Permit Center



**APEX** offers online electronic applications for permits, building plans, and land use applications; online payments; real-time status tracking for permit and land use applications; online inspection scheduling, tracking and updates; and advanced search capabilities.

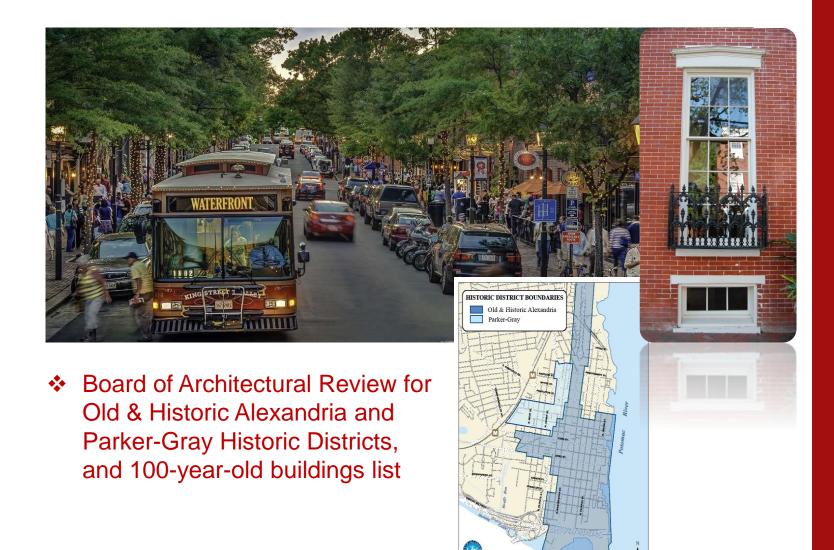
The **Permit Center** (City Hall, 4th Floor) offers a walk-in option for permit applications by appointment only. Use of APEX is highly encouraged.





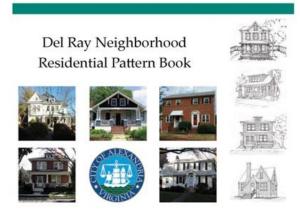
# HISTORIC PRESERVATION











Del Ray Residential Pattern Book



Discovery of  $18^{\text{th}}$  century ship at 220 S Union Street



Volunteer Surveying

# **Community Engagement**



# How to Get Involved ALEX THE ENGAGE

#### City Calendar

- E-news notification system
  - Community Meetings
  - Document Releases
  - AlexEngage
- Facebook and Twitter
- Planning Commission and Council Dockets
- Planning and Zoning Website: http://www.alexandriava.gov/Planning
- What's Next Handbook: http://www.alexandriava.gov/WhatsNext

